Mission

The future *USS Green Bay*, currently under construction at Northrop Grumman Ship Systems' shipyard in Avondale, LA, will be the fourth amphibious transport dock of the twelve-ship San Antonio class. The *Green Bay* will be used to transport and land Marines, their equipment and supplies, by embarked air cushion or conventional landing craft or amphibious assault vehicles, augmented by helicopters or vertical take off and landing aircraft. The *USS Green Bay* will support amphibious assault, special operations, or expeditionary warfare missions throughout the first half of the 21st Century.

Name

When then Secretary of the Navy Richard Danzig announced the name of LPD 20, he noted, "Green Bay may be modest in size, but it is enormous in spirit. The city is well known for its commitment to team efforts and the LPD 20 will be home to another team - the Navy-Marine Corps team- that is no stranger to the hard work and sacrifice necessary to be the best in the world." This will be the second ship named Green Bay. The first, a patrol gunboat, was in service during the 1970s.

Ship Characteristics

<u>Length</u> 684 feet (208.5 meters) <u>Beam</u> 105 feet (31.9 meters)

<u>Displacement</u> Approximately 24,900 tons full load <u>Speed</u> In excess of 22 knots (24.2 mph)

Aircraft Four CH-46 Sea Knight helicopters or two MV-22 tilt rotor aircraft may be launched or recovered

simultaneously. The ship's hangar can store 1-2 aircraft.

Armament Two 30 mm Close-in-Guns, for surface threat defense; two Rolling

Airframe Missile launchers for air defense

<u>Landing Craft</u>
AAAVs
Power plant
Two LCACs (air cushion) or one LCU (conventional)
14 Marine Corps Advanced Amphibious Assault Vehicles
Four Colt-Pielstick diesel engines, two shafts, 40,000 Hp

<u>Crew</u> 361 (28 officers, 333 enlisted)

Troops 699 (66 officers, 633 enlisted); surge to 800 total.

LPD 17 Class San Antonio (LPD 17). New Orleans (LPD 18), Mesa Verde

(LPD 19), Green Bay (LPD 20), and New York (LPD 21)

Dates

Construction of LPD 20 began in March 2003 and keel laying is expected to occur in August 2003. The ship will launch in 2005 and will be delivered to the Navy in 2006. LPD 20 will then be commissioned as *USS Green Bay*.

For more information about the future *USS Green Bay* and other San Antonio LPD 17 class ships, go to www.pms317.navy.mil.